

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please substitute paragraph 0020 with the following paragraph:

There are a plurality of configurations of the distal and the proximate valve elements 30, 40 with respect to the housing. The open configuration, as shown in the Figure, permits substantially unrestricted fluid flow from the inlet port 20 to the outlet port 22. In the open configuration, the distal valve element 30 is spaced from the inlet housing portion 12 such that fluid communication is permitted through the inlet fluid communication path 24 through a gap between the distal valve element 30 and the inlet housing portion 12, through the at least one orifice 36 penetrating the distal valve element 30, through the intermediate fluid communication path 25, and through the outlet fluid communication path 26.

(Please substitute paragraph 0021 with the following paragraph:)

The closed configuration (not shown) substantially isolates fluid flow from the inlet port 20 to the outlet port 22. In the closed configuration (not shown), the distal seal 32 engages the internal surface of the inlet housing portion 12 such that the gap of the inlet fluid communication path 24 is closed. The proximate valve element 40 engages the seal member 32,34, thus preventing flow through the at least one orifice [[36]]. In particular, the proximate valve element 40 is positioned with respect to the distal valve element 30 such that the intermediate and outlet fluid communication paths 25,26 are closed. To achieve this position, the proximate valve element 40 is displaced by the actuator 70 along the axis A toward the distal valve element 30.

(Please substitute paragraph 0022 with the following paragraph:)

In the closed configuration (not shown), if fuel tank pressure becomes too large, e.g., through burst pressure, agitation, hot ambient conditions, etc., the distal and proximate valve elements 30,40 permit flow of fuel vapor from the inlet port 20 to the outlet port 22. The release of pressure provides a blow-off feature. This is achieved because the pressure acting on the distal and proximate valve elements 30,40 is greater than the force of the actuator 70, the proximate resilient element 60, and the distal resilient element 50. When this occurs, the distal valve element 30 is spaced from the inlet housing portion 12 and the proximate valve element 40 is spaced from the distal valve element 30. Thus, fluid communication is permitted through the gap and the at least one orifice [[36]].

(Please substitute paragraph 0023 with the following paragraph:)

The intermediate configuration (not shown) provides restricted fluid flow from the inlet port 20 to the outlet port 22. In the intermediate configuration, the distal seal 32 engages the inlet housing portion 12 such that the gap is closed, and the proximate valve element 40 is positioned away from the proximate seal 34 such that fluid communication is permitted through the outlet fluid communication path 26, i.e., through the at least one orifice [[36]]. The intermediate configuration occurs at an intermediate position between the open and closed configurations.

